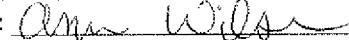


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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Response to the Office action of February 20, 2007.

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